

108TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 143

To prohibit the importation of dangerous firearms that have been modified
to avoid the ban on semiautomatic assault weapons.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 7, 2003

Mr. NADLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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been modified to avoid the ban on semiautomatic assault
weapons.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Assault Weapon Ban
5 Enhancement Act of 2003”.

1 **SEC. 2. BAN ON IMPORTATION OF DANGEROUS FIREARMS**
2 **THAT HAVE BEEN MODIFIED TO AVOID THE**
3 **BAN ON SEMIAUTOMATIC ASSAULT WEAP-**
4 **ONS.**

5 Section 925 of title 18, United States Code, is
6 amended by adding at the end the following:

7 “(g) The Attorney General shall prohibit the importa-
8 tion or bringing into the United States of any semiauto-
9 matic assault weapon (including the frame or receiver of
10 any such weapon) that is of a type which, as of May 1,
11 1998, was determined under subsection (d)(3) to be not
12 generally recognized as particularly suitable for or readily
13 adaptable to sporting purposes, or that includes any of
14 the following characteristics:

15 “(1) The weapon has a thumb hole stock that
16 functions as a pistol grip.

17 “(2) The weapon can accept a detachable large
18 capacity ammunition magazine.

19 “(3) The weapon has a fixed magazine which
20 can be readily modified to accept a large capacity
21 ammunition magazine.

22 “(4) The weapon uses .22 caliber ammuni-
23 tion.”.

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